

FAVORS CABLE

Report of the Senate Committee.

Features of the Measure -- Government to Construct and Operate the Cable.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The construction of a Pacific cable line between San Francisco and Honolulu is to be recommended by the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, which today agreed to report the bill which Senator Hale was authorized to draft at the last session of the committee, and the report was later presented to the Senate. The bill provides for a present cable only to Honolulu, but declares a purpose to extend it in the future, the first section reading as follows:

That to the end of establishing hereafter telegraph communication between the United States and the Philippine Islands and Japan under the waters of the Pacific ocean there shall be constructed under the provision of the Secretary of the Navy a submarine telegraphic cable or cables and connecting land lines from the city of San Francisco, California, to the city of Honolulu, over such route as may be deemed by the Secretary of the Navy to be the most practicable.

Three million dollars is appropriated for the work and further surveys are authorized to determine the most practicable route. The Secretary is empowered to cause plans to be prepared immediately upon the passage of the Act and to employ naval vessels if necessary in the construction. The control of the cable, when completed, is to be transferred to the Postmaster-General.

A new provision in the bill requires that "the cables, wires and other instruments, materials and appurtenances necessary in the work of laying the cable shall be of American manufacture, provided that it can be procured at a cost not exceeding twelve per cent above what it could be procured for in foreign markets."

Senator Hale presented a written report to accompany the bill, in which he said:

The increasing business of the United States upon the Pacific sea has for years drawn men's attention to the advisability of an ocean cable between our Western coast and some point on the Asiatic shores. The annexation of the Hawaiian Islands has added to this feeling, and the committee has felt itself justified in reporting a bill which provides for a cable which it built will be the beginning of a trans-Pacific submarine cable. It is believed by the committee that the provisions are ample to insure the work by private enterprise, while leaving the general charge with the Government and the ownership there when completed. At any rate, the experiment will be tried in the building of the short end of the line from San Francisco to Honolulu and our future course can be governed by the experience gained in this work. It is believed that the cost of the line between the two places named will not be far from \$3,000,000, and should the bill become a law at the present session of Congress it is hoped that the work may be under way within a year.

MENACE OF MENELEK.

May Begin War Against Italy and Involve England.

NEW YORK, March 17.—A Sun cable from London says: Captain Harrington, British Minister to Abyssinia, has just reported upon political, military and economical conditions in that restless country and the facts disclosed warrant anxiety in regard to King Menelik's intentions. There is no longer a doubt that Menelik claims ownership of the arid district in Italian Erythraea. His ambition can be gratified only at the expense of a successful war with Italy, into which England might be drawn. Menelik has been importing guns, rifles and ammunition with the benevolent or paid complicity of the French customs authorities at Djibouti. It is even stated, but this requires confirmation, that Italy has addressed friendly representations on the latter subject to the French Government without tangible result.

In the meantime the famous Italian explorer of Abyssinia, De Amicis, announces that he has received letters from that country and from Erythraea confirming news that Ras Makonnen, Menelik's Viceroy in the Tibre country, is preparing for an invasion of Italian territory. So menacing have these preparations become that it has been necessary to send strong reinforcements of Italian troops to the Tigre frontier.

CALIFORNIA EARTHQUAKE.

A Mountain Partly Shaken Down With the Shocks.

SAN JACINTO, March 19.—Tremendous excitement prevails in San Jacinto, it having been discovered that part of San Jacinto mountain has slipped into a subterranean cavern. A territory covering 600 acres, at an elevation of 4,000 feet, was dislodged by the Christmas earthquake, and slipped 150 feet lower than it had previously stood for many centuries. The face of this new valley is thickly traversed by fissures and cracks varying in width from an inch to six feet across, and it is not possible to see the bottom nor to sound the depths by throwing stones into them. Yesterday a young man was lowered forty feet into one crevasse and the bottom could not be seen by the venturesome youth.

Yesterday being Sunday, every procurable vehicle was driven eleven miles to the southeastern foot of this great spur of the San Jacinto peak. Here ladies rode horseback to the 4,000-foot elevation over a trail just wide enough to pass around the precipices, and men footed it in the dust for two miles to the top. Over a hundred visitors kept the trail warm yesterday and picked

in the canyon below, as the trip consumes the entire day. Once at the broken rim of this mountain range the eye roves over a scene of terrific devastation shaken loose from the country-side mountains by the Christmas temblor. This great mass of rock and earth is torn by gravitation as move into a great internal space.

Christmas day Forest Supervisor Grant A. Taggart, formerly clerk of the Supreme Court of California, and Forest Ranger House visited this particular spot of this mountain. It was visibly trembling, but not being alarmed, the officers established a trail across the 600 acres. Nearly three months later Forest Ranger House tried to go over the trail, but the trail was obliterated by tons of earth and masses of uprooted trees. High places were now low, and the former low places were high with debris.

The great earthquake of December 25th has been succeeded by dozens of light tremors, and although the shocks are getting farther apart, the nerves of this community are far from steady. After the visitors had returned from the fallen mountain last night a severe shock was felt here.

WATER IS SALT

The American Sugar Co.'s Hard Luck.

New Wells Useless Because of Saline Properties--A Committee Will Investigate.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the American Sugar Co. held yesterday at the rooms of C. Brewer & Co., it was decided to send a committee over to Molokai to investigate the situation as it is at present. The committee will leave for Kaunakakai at the earliest possible date. It is composed as follows: A. S. and G. N. Wilcox, A. F. Judd, Jr., representing foreign stockholders, F. M. Wakefield, and George Robertson, representing C. Brewer & Co.

When seen regarding the action of the stockholders Mr. Geo. R. Carter stated that the water at the plantation had proved a disappointment. The wells at Kaunakakai, when the flow was first struck, showed about eighteen grains of salt to the gallon. This amount of salt was raised to about thirty grains when a big pump was put to work and later the water at Kaunakakai analyses 100 grains to the gallon.

It was seen that the wells at Kaunakakai would be unfit for use and so the dependency of the plantation was put on the Kawela water about eight miles from Kaunakakai. The water from this place, to be used, would have to be pumped to Kaunakakai and then pumped again from there to the plantation. Almost the same experience as at Kaunakakai was held at Kawela. As soon as the big pump was put to work the salt increased to such an extent that the water could not be used.

Although the conditions existing at the present time are very unfavorable to the successful operation of the large plantation as the American Sugar Company is intended to be, the majority of the stockholders are sanguine of the ultimate success of the deep wells now being sunk on the property. A minority of the stockholders were in favor of closing the business up and liquidating, but it was decided at the meeting as which over two-thirds of the stock was represented to await developments and the reports of the committee after it has been over the ground.

There is a lot of valuable machinery already in hand and the mill is now on the way on the steamer Horda and due to arrive at any time at Kaunakakai. What disposition will be made of this machinery is not yet determined, but it will in all probability be stored until some definite plan of action is agreed upon.

CLOUDS IN THE EAST.

Japan Preparing for War and China for Revolution.

VICTORIA, (B. C.), March 17.—China papers received to-day by the Japanese liner Idzumi Maru contain the sensational declaration that the Japanese preparations for a naval review off the Korean coast in reality conceal a plan to strike a sudden blow at Russia, and thus inaugurate a war that has been approaching for six months past the consequence of the Russian policy in Korea. Shanghai advices contain the information that the plan is to seize at least four important points in Korea while the parading fleet is off that coast, and that, in view of this intention, neither foreign nor Japanese press reporters are to be permitted to accompany the parading fleet.

Naturally the Japanese officials disclaim knowledge of any probability of immediate war, but the nation is none the less a hotbed of excitement and military and naval preparation, the war spirit being in no way cooled by the knowledge that Russia, too, is rapidly strengthening her sea forces at Masampo and at Vladivostok, while hurriedly perfecting the strong fortifications at Port Arthur.

VICTORIA, (B. C.), March 17.—Shanghai and Hongkong advices by the Idzumi Maru agree that every day brings further evidence that China is on the eve of disastrous civil strife, the leaders of the reform party being in close communication with Kang Yu Wei, still at Singapore, and having assurance from him that outside aid, both in men and money, is available as soon as the time is ripe for striking the first blow for the restoration of the Emperor to full power and the relegation to obscurity of the Empress Dowager and her pro-Russian policy.

W. R. Castle and family will visit the other islands in May. They will make an extended trip.



HOME OF REV. CHARLES M. SHELDON.

THE TOPEKA CAPITAL.

Editor Sheldon Goes Out and Trouble Comes In.

TOPEKA, Kas., March 17.—"Sheldon week" came to an end today and a hot fight has been between the stockholders of the Topeka Daily Capital. In this fight Mr. Sheldon, who concluded his labors today, sinks out of sight.

The trouble began last night with the announcement by F. O. Popenoe, the principal stockholder, that the paper would continue to be printed along the lines laid down by Mr. Sheldon, with some modifications. When J. K. Hudson, the veteran editor known here as "Fighting Joe" Hudson, heard of the scheme he uttered a loud protest.

"Under no circumstances," he said, "will I edit anything else than a secular Republican newspaper. The proposition to transform the Capital into a religious daily is more than absurd; it is suicidal. Although Mr. Popenoe is the majority stockholder in the paper, he is exercising an authority far beyond that which he is entitled to. It is astonishing to me that Mr. Popenoe should decide to take such a radical step without even consulting me, the editor or Dell Keizer, the president and business manager. We are both opposed to the religious daily and will have nothing to do with one."

Hudson says his contract gives him the right to dictate the policy of the paper. Keizer is also greatly incensed over what he terms the high-handed proceeding of Popenoe, and this morning said he would carry the matter in

to the courts if necessary. Popenoe takes the fight coolly, resting secure in his possession of 51 of the 100 shares of stock. He says the differences of the stockholders are only temporary.

There is just a suspicion that the fight is also for advertising purposes, and if the idea of converting the paper into a permanent religious daily had been decided on in advance the whole scheme could not have been more elaborately planned or carried out.

In place of the Sunday edition of the Capital Mr. Sheldon got out an eight-page paper at 5 o'clock this afternoon. This ended Mr. Sheldon's experiment. He declined to make a statement regarding the probable result, except to say:

"I will let it go to the world to do what it will, without any words from me." He stated, however, that in his lectures this summer in England and the United States he would give his experiences in getting out the edition.

The Saturday evening Capital is entirely on the subject "The Bible, the Basis of Our Christian Civilization." Every article, except a brief editorial, is about the Bible. It simply is a story of the Bible, every line of which was prepared by Mr. Sheldon. Bible references are classified under the following heads: "Usury," "The Sabbath," "Money and Riches," "Marriage," "Wealth," "Evil of Drink," "War," and "The Future."

In addition there is a story of the Bible's history from the earliest manuscripts to the latest revision, prepared by M. C. Hazard. The sermon on the Mount is the first-page leader.

CUSTOMS BUREAU.

Increase of Imports for January 1900, Over January 1899.

The Collector General has furnished the Minister of Finance with the following comparative statement of imports for the month of January, for the years 1899 and 1900, showing an increase for the month of January, 1900, over the same month the year previous of \$872,437.82. The report in detail shows the imports at the different ports of entry in the islands:

	1899.	1900.
United States, All Other.	\$ 92,543 51	\$206,448 65
Dutiable	4,835 84	7,355 26
Bonded		
Free by treaty	334,722 28	
Free by C.C.	254,924 43	74,131 83
Port of Hilo	81,019 77	
Port of Kahului	59,021 36	
Honolulu, Jan. 1900.	\$27,088 19	\$287,965 64

	1899.	1900.
United States, All Other.	\$ 88,356 25	\$308,550 93
Dutiable	21,080 70	17,640 95
Bonded		
Free by treaty	809,846 90	
Free by C.C.	252,318 03	182,498 06
Port of Hilo	175,829 01	
Port of Kahului	96,353 33	
Port of Mahukona	27,524 65	
Port of Lualaba	4,562 84	
Port of Palau	2,879 00	
Total	\$1,478,801 72	\$508,639 94

Dutiable	\$ 396,907 19
Bonded	38,721 65
Free by treaty	809,846 90
Free by C.C.	434,876 09
Honolulu	1,680,351 83
Hilo	175,829 01
Kahului	96,353 33
Mahukona	27,524 65
Kahuna	4,562 84
Palau	2,879 00

Hawaiian Islands	\$1,987,491 65
One month, 1900	\$1,987,491 65
One month, 1899	1,115,053 83
Increase 1900	\$ 872,437 82

Respectfully submitted,
E. R. STACKABLE,
Collector General of Customs.

WHAT TO DO UNTIL THE DOCTOR ARRIVES.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of the doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairyman called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child, then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country. For sale by all druggists and dealers; Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for H. I.

Weak Children

How sad it is to see weak children—boys and girls who are pale and thin. They cannot enjoy the sports of childhood, neither are they able to profit by school life. They are indeed to be pitied. But there is hope for them.

Scott's Emulsion

has helped such children for over a quarter of a century. Your doctor will tell you it is both food and medicine to them. They begin to pick up at once under its use. Their color improves, the flesh becomes more firm, the weight increases and all the full life and vigor of childhood returns again.

At all druggists, etc., and from SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

from the body through the bladder, &c. They are a vital part of the drainage system I spoke of. In Mr. Cadden's case, as in so many others, they partially failed, and the retained poisons produced his suffering.

Still (and please get a good hold of this point), kidney complaint is only one of a series of organic disorders, all of which arise from chronic dyspepsia. It was so in this instance. The digestive trouble having been set right by Mother Selgel's Syrup, the kidneys soon became healthy. One—and only one—of the peculiar virtues of this famed preparation is its power to maintain in good working order the delicate and very important excretory, or drainage, system of the body.

REFORMER WILL LEAVE.

Leung Chi-to to Depart for San Francisco.

Honolulu is to lose Leung Chi-to, or Leung Ki Chew as he is variously styled in English. The reformer with a price of \$5,000 on his head, will go to San Francisco shortly. The Chinese there are stirred up over his coming. The following from the Call tells of his intended visit:

A circular distributed throughout Chinatown two nights ago announced that Leung Ki Chew, one of the famous Chinese reformers, now at Honolulu, will be in this city next month. The document was written by Chew and issued at the instigation of the Chinese Empire Reform Association, whose headquarters are on Washington street.

In substance the handbill declares that if the dethroned Emperor is not reinstated the powers of Europe will soon invade China and eventually control it. Chew implores the Chinese of America to use their efforts and money in behalf of the young Emperor.

The reformer also states that while he is cognizant of the fact that the Chinese Government has placed a large price on his head he is willing to brave all danger and come to stir up an agitation in America. He says that he has but one life to live and is ready to sacrifice it in the cause of his Emperor. Should Chew come to San Francisco he may experience some difficulty in landing, as the Custom house officials have received positive instruction to refuse him the privilege of setting foot on American soil. Chinese Consul General Ho Yow, in discussing the circular, said it was a bold piece of work and believes that the reformer is brazen in publicly announcing his intention of visiting this coast.

Will Live in Honolulu.

Herbert P. Williams, literary editor of the Boston Herald, who has been here several weeks writing letters about Hawaii to his paper, has become enamored of tropical life and will stay. He sent by the last steamer for his family and furniture. Mrs. Williams, who will soon join him, has filled his responsible post on the Herald in his absence and will be a decided acquisition to the circles of cultivated women in Honolulu. Mr. Williams is a graduate of Harvard and was a working companion of Mr. Whitmarsh, at present The Outlook's Philippine correspondent, during the Cuban war.

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